

**Introduced by Senator Alquist**  
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An act relating to charter schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1170, as introduced, Alquist. Charter schools: funding.

The existing Charter Schools Act of 1992 authorizes and provides a procedure for the establishment of charter schools. Under existing law, charter schools receive public funding in accordance with specified provisions. Existing law provides for the apportionment of revenue limit and supplemental funding, as specified, to school districts that operate community day schools.

This bill would provide that charter schools that primarily serve at risk pupils and operate under a charter approved by the County Board of Education for the County of Santa Clara to serve at-risk pupils receive revenue limit and supplemental funding, as specified, as if they were community day schools operated by the county.

This bill would make certain findings and declarations regarding the inapplicability of a general statute within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. A charter school that primarily serves at risk
- 2 pupils and operates under a charter approved by the County
- 3 Board of Education for the County of Santa Clara to serve at-risk
- 4 pupils shall receive revenue limit and supplemental funding

1 pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 48660) of  
2 Chapter 4 of Part 27 of the Education Code, as if it were a  
3 community day school operated by the county.

4 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares that a special law  
5 is necessary and that a general law cannot be made applicable  
6 within the meaning of Section 16 of Article IV of the California  
7 Constitution because of the financial circumstances of charter  
8 schools that primarily serve at risk pupils and operates under  
9 charters approved by the County Board of Education for the  
10 County of Santa Clara.